GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF HOUSING & URBAN AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 364

TO BE ANSWERED ON FEBRUARY 5, 2019

AREA BASED DEVELOPMENT

No. 364. SHRI V. ELUMALAI:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a)   whether it is a fact that after urban transport, area based development is the second most important priority with proposed investment of Rs. 30,600 crore and if so, the details thereof;

(b)   whether it is also true that under the area based development, cities pick one area and develop it fully so that the model can be replicated in other parts of the city; and

(c)   if so, the details thereof ?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
(SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

(a) to (c):   Under the Smart Cities Mission (SCM) launched by the Government of India in June 2015, a total of 100 cities have been selected from across the country for development as Smart Cities. These cities have proposed a total of 5,151 projects at an estimated cost of Rs. 2,05,018 crore in their

Smart City Proposals (SCPs). The SCP is a citizen-driven document, prepared after extensive consultations with citizens and other stakeholders to address the unique priorities and aspirations of the cities.

The objective of the Mission is to promote cities that provide core infrastructure and give a decent quality of life to its citizens, a clean and sustainable environment with application of 'Smart' solutions.The Mission has adopted a two pronged approach namely;

(1)   Pan City solutions: Wherein cities are implementing at least one or more smart solutions in areas of priority for the entire city.

(2)   Area Based Development: Wherein, certain areas are taken up for development either on Greenfield /retrofittingredevelopment models through integration of the physical, social, institutional and economic infrastructure, and deployment of essential features.

The purpose of area based development is to transform existing areas into better planned ones, thereby improving liveability of the whole city. The idea under the Mission is to develop compact areas and create a replicable model to act as a lighthouse to the other aspiring cities.

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